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SUBJECT: COM SPECIAL SESSION

STATUS LNO WILL PICK UP FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM AMBASSADOR
ROSENBLATT, SUNDAY, AUG 21, 1977, ENROUTE PONAPE.

BEGIN TEXT:

1. DURING CURRENT SPECIAL SESSION OF COM, YOU SHOULD
STRESS WITH AS MANY MEMBERS OF THE COM AS POSSIBLE THE
FOLLOWING POINTS WHICH THE U.S. EXPECTS THE COM TO CONSI-
DER AND ACT ON AS RESULT OF THEIR LEADERSHIP'S AGREEMENT
TO CAREFULLY REVIEW OUR GUAM PROPOSALS:

- A. THE US DESIRES AND FULLY EXPECTS FORMAL NEGOTIA-
TIONS ON A MULTILATERAL AND BILATERAL LEVEL TO COMMENCE
NOT LATER THAN THIS OCTOBER AT A MUTUALLY AGREED LOCATION.
WE THEREFORE EXPECT THE COM TO REACT SUBSTANTIVELY TO OUR
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GUAM PROPOSALS. IT SHOULD BE STRESSED THAT WE UNDERSTAND
THE COM TO HAVE A COMMITMENT TO REACT OFFICIALLY.

- B. WE ARE PREPARED TO HOLD ALL THE NEGOTIATIONS THAT
LIE AHEAD IN MICRONESIA OR GUAM IN ORDER TO EASE FINANCIAL

BURDEN TO MICRONESIAN DELEGATIONS.

- C. THE U.S. MUST INSIST THAT ALL RPT ALL DISTRICTS BE EFFECTIVELY REPRESENTED IN FUTURE NEGOTIATIONS. OUR GUAM PROPOSAL CALLS FOR EACH DISTRICT TO DETERMINE ITS REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE FUTURE STATUS NEGOTIATIONS BY EITHER THE CREATION OF A DISTRICT COMMISSION OR BY DELEGATING THE AUTHORITY TO NEGOTIATE ON ITS BEHALF TO THE COM. IN THE ABSENCE OF SUCH ACTION BY ANY DISTRICT LEGISLATURE, THE U.S. WILL ASSUME THAT THAT DISTRICT WILL CONTINUE TO BE REPRESENTED BY COM/CFPST. FYI: ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT FEEL THAT AMENDMENT TO PL 6-87 ALONG LINES OUR GUAM PROPOSAL IS A LEGAL PREREQUISITE TO COMMENCEMENT OF MULTILATERAL AND BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS, WE ARE NOT SURE WHETHER COM AND CFPST SHARE THIS VIEW. THE NECESSITY OF AMENDMENT IS THEREFORE NOT TO BE INSISTED UPON BY U.S. OUR OBJECTIVE IS TO MEET WITH LEGALLY CONSTITUTED NEGOTIATING PARTNERS BUT NOT TO GENERATE A WHOLE NEW PRELIMINARY COM CREDENTIALS DEBATE. ACCEPTANCE BY COM OF OUR GUAM PROPOSAL TAKEN TOGETHER WITH THIRD SENTENCE OF THIS PARAGRAPH SEEMS TO US THE BEST WAY TO MEET THIS OBJECTIVE. END FYI.

- D. YOU SHOULD REMIND THE COM AND CFPST MEMBERS PRESENT THAT THE US VIEWS THE INCOMPATIBILITIES BETWEEN THE CONSTITUTION AND THE FREE ASSOCIATION RELATIONSHIP (AS HAS BEEN NEGOTIATED) TO BE A CONTINUING BURDEN ON CONFIDENTIAL

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NEGOTIATIONS WHICH OUGHT TO BE ADDRESSED AT THIS SPECIAL SESSION. WE WOULD HOPE TO SEE THE CFPST GRANTED SUFFICIENT NEGOTIATING FLEXIBILITY IN ITS TERMS OF REFERENCE SO THAT ALL CAN PROCEED ON THE BASIS THAT THE DRAFT CONSTITUTION WILL BE AMENDED TO ACCOMMODATE THE ARRANGEMENT WHICH EMERGES FROM THE NEGOTIATIONS.

2. MY INITIAL TRIP STILL PLANNED FOR EARLY SEPTEMBER FOR APPROX 10 DAYS. ANY SUGGESTIONS WOULD BE HELPFUL. ROSENBLATT SENDS. END TEXT.

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